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E.O. 11652: XGDS-2

TAGS: PINT, CH

SUBJECT: UNREST IN WUHAN

REF: PEKING 1215

1. JAPANESE CONGENOFF TAKASE TOLD U.S. CONGENOFF THAT JAPANESE SOURCE WHO HAS BEEN STAYING IN WUHAN REPORTS POLITICAL SITUATION IN THAT CITY WAS AGITATED. SOURCE, WHO WAS INTERVIEWED ONLY FEW DAYS AGO AND WHOSE INFORMATION WAS CURRENT, SAID THAT LARGE NUMBERS OF YOUNG PEOPLE WERE IN EVIDENCE AROUND CITY PUTTING UP POSTERS AND CONDUCTING VARIOUS CRITICISM CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES. THEY APPEAR TO BE SUPPORTED AND ENCOURAGED BY MASS ORGANIZATIONS AND THEIR EFFORTS IN GENERAL SEEMED TO BE AIMED AT BROADENING AREAS OF AGITATION AND GETTING MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED. LOCAL AUTHORITIES ON OTHER HAND WERE TRYING TO LIMIT THESE EFFORTS AND THERE WERE TENSIONS BUT SOURCE HAD SEEN NO SIGNS OF ACTUAL CLASHES. SOURCE SAID MOST COMMON POSTER TARGETS INCLUDED

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FORMER WUHAN MILITARY REGION COMMANDER TSENG SSU-YU, CHANG

TI-HSUEH (THE DECEASED POLITICAL COMMISSAR OF THE WUHAN MILITARY REGION) AND A LIU FENG (0491/6265) (OUT FILES LIST A LIU FENG AS BEING AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF PEKING MUNICIPAL CCP COMMITTEE ON MAY 1971.)

2. TAKASE NOTED THAT JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO PEKING OGAWA, WHO IS PRESENTLY BACK IN JAPAN, HAD WITHIN PAST FEW WEEKS APPLIED TO PRC AUTHORITIES FOR PERMISSION TO VISIT WUHAN BUT WAS REFUSED. NUMBER OF OTHER JAPANESE HAD ALSO RECENTLY APPLIED AND WERE UNIFORMLY TURNED DOWN ON GROUNDS TIMING WAS NOT CONVENIENT. HENCE JAPANESE THOUGHT SITUATION IN THAT IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL CITY COULD BE MORE SERIOUS THAN JAPANESE SOURCE HAD BEEN ABLE TO OBSERVE.

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